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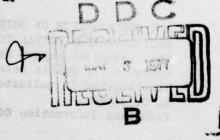
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1. Outline of Our Activities During 1972-1976

Our activities under the Research Grant AFOSR 72-2259 from January 1972 through December 1976 continued and developed our research project under the Research Grant AFOSR 68-1466, and produced 31 published papers and 2 accepted papers during this period. These publications are listed at the end of this report, and the major results of our research work during this period are all described in these papers.

We shall, however, sketch in the following our research activities subdividing them into seven sub-areas:

- (1) Pattern Recognition: In this sub-area we have achieved three objectives. (1a) Improvement of the so-called perceptron method. The customary method leaves too much freedom for the allowable solutions which are often located in disproportionate positions. Our improved method permits us to obtain a solution which has a well-balanced location. The result is published in Paper 7. (1b) All the know pattern recognition methods assume that a class can be represented by an n-dimensional volume in the n-dimensional representation space. We introduced a revolutionary idea that a class can be represented by an m-dimensional subspace in the n-dimensional representation space, where m << n. The final version of this new method is published in Papers 12 and 32. (1c) Using the structural method of pattern recognition, we introduced an extremely versatile language called Chemical Structure Language. We can express not only all the chemical structure formulae, but also extremely intriguing graphs. Papers 1 and 29.
- (2) <u>Clusterings</u>. We introduced, for the first time in the history of clustering algorithms, a unified view covering practically all the known algorithms. See Paper 5. Usual algorithms require an exhorbitant amount of

computer time and yet do not produce the true optimal solution. We introduced an entirely new method, which not only economizes the computer time, but also yields a unique optimal solution. Papers 17 and 30.

- (3) Optical Method. We obtained many interesting results inserting various filters at the focal plan (where the Fourier transform is produced) of a converging lens, in front of which a picture is placed. The contour detection, simulation of the von Békésy function, texture analysis have been done. The results have not yet been published. But, in the future, they will be incorporated in published papers, and acknowledgement of AF grant will be made.
- (4) <u>Learning Theory</u>. We introduced and defended the ideas of propensity automata as the model of learning process. This idea was motivated by two major reasons. For one thing, the existing learning models in terms of finite deterministic automata, stochastic automata and fuzzy automata are found all inappropriate. Second, the inverse H Theorem must be satisfied. Papers 22 and 31.
- (5) Artificial Intelligence. The main effort here aimed at clarification of the difference between the artificial intelligence and the natural intelligence. Paper 19 was devoted to criticize Dreyfus' book called Critique of Artificial Reason. A general discussion of the problem of artificial intelligence was entitled "Can the Cognitive Process be Totally Mechanized?" Paper 26. My positive assertion in this area is that the natural intelligence is carried out by the help of what I call "paradigmatic symbols" whereas the artificial intelligence is carried out with the help of "abstract symbols." Paper 77.
 - (6) Philosophy of Science. I felt it is important for the healthy

development of philosophy of science to destroy the now popular Kuhnian theory of scientific revolutions. My theory was described in Paper 24.

(7) Cybernetical Concept of Time. Norbert Wiener started his famous book "Cybernetics," with a chapter called "Newtonian and Bergsonian Concepts of Time." Nobody, however, pursued this very suggestive idea. My idea was from the beginning very close to N. Wiener's concept of time. I published several papers along the line of cybernetical concept of time. Papers 2, 3, 16, 18, 20, 23.

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